

## HOUSE WANTS POSTAL ZONES

Chairman Kitchin Insists Senate Yield on Revenue Measure.

The war revenue bill, passed Monday by the Senate, may die with the expiration of the present Congress in March unless the Senate yields to the House on the question of the postal zoning system for second-class matter.

"There will be no revenue bill unless the Senate confers agree to restore the postal zone system," said Representative Kitchin, majority leader of the House and chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, yesterday.

This statement was made immediately following a conference between Mr. Kitchin and Postmaster General Burleson, who called at the former's office.

"The action of the Senate in eliminating the zone system is an affirmative action, and under all precedents of parliamentary procedure it is up to the Senate to yield to the House, which will resist to the last."

Disagreements will no doubt arise on a number of other provisions added to the bill in the Senate. It is believed, however, that these differences will be smoothed out without any serious trouble.

The House conferees will be named immediately. The conferees expect to meet January 2, Mr. Kitchin said.

"It probably will take two months to reach a final agreement," he said.

## HUNS CLAIM FRENCH WANT RHINE CITIES

Chancellor Ebert Also Fears Polish Designs on East Prussia.

Berlin, Dec. 23 (Delayed).—Chancellor Ebert fears the result of Polish aspirations in East Prussia, it was learned today. It was also ascertained he believed France will attempt to annex the left bank of the Rhine.

The trouble between Poland and Germany was the result of propaganda designed to show that the Germans were endeavoring to spread Bolshevist doctrines in Poland, Count Kessler, German Minister, who was expelled from Warsaw, said today.

"It was unnecessary to break relations," Kessler said. "The trouble was entirely due to propaganda. We are more anti-Bolshevik even than the Poles. They hope to go to the Peace Conference with territory they have seized from Germany."

## NEW FLU HOME TO BEAT PLAGUE

Can Accommodate 80 Patients; All But Seriously Ill Barred.

The Influenza Hospital, at 612 F street northwest, under the direction of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia and immediately under the charge of Dr. W. C. Fowler, health officer, was opened yesterday at noon.

The executive officer in charge of the building itself is Dr. E. W. Scott, of the United States Public Health Service.

The new hospital is well equipped with all modern conveniences and has a bed capacity for eighty patients. In case of necessity a few additional patients could be cared for.

In order to get patients admitted to the hospital application should be made to the District Health Office, Main 600, Branch 37. The office with open every day, holidays and Sundays included, from 9 a. m. until 10 p. m.

"The hospital is not for the reception of every case of influenza," Dr. Fowler stated, "but only for the more urgent and serious cases which cannot be cared for in the homes of the patients."

"Each application will be investigated by the health officer, and no cases will be admitted except on a signed order from the health officer or the army surgeon in charge of that portion of the building assigned to the army."

Up to noon yesterday a total of 134 new cases of influenza and 15 deaths from this cause were reported by the District Health Office.

## MORE YANKS DUE HOME.

Transport Rindjam Brings 3,022 Officers and Men to America.

General March announced yesterday the sailing from France for home on the 19th inst., on the Rindjam, a total of 3,022 officers and men. The Rindjam will probably dock at Newport News.

The list of units includes the Thirtieth antiaircraft sector, 65 per cent of which is from Ft. Totten, N. Y., and 35 per cent from Jefferson Barracks, Mo. The largest unit is the 114th Ammunition Train, thirty-three officers and 1,108 men. They are from Camps Beauregard, Zachary Taylor and Camp Pike.

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Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. —LUKE 2:14—



"And, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

"When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy."

There is, this Christmas day, another star shining in the east. It, too, is the star of peace and good will; the star of hope and promise. It, too, has beckoned to the wise men of the world and has guided them to the spot where the young child of peace lies.

Darkness and clouds of war have been swept aside and have disappeared from our horizon. The death and desolation of bloody conflict now are but a memory, a thing which happened, and, God granting! may never happen again. Mists of sorrow and suffering are dissolved before the warm rays of a peaceful sun.

Smiles are coming back to the face of mankind, and hatreds are leaving his heart.

For unto us is born a new era, a new age, a new life, a new day—PEACE!

The young life of this child of peace is coming into being over there in France, and there the star of hope shines, striking its beaming brightness into the uttermost recesses of the world.

This difference is to be noted: The wise men of today are not coming to the cradle of peace to destroy the child; they come not to bear it away to Herod. They come to give of their life, their brain, their power, that the child of peace may live everlastingly.

So they sit at the peace table, these great, wise men of today, from America, from Europe, from Asia, from the four corners of the world. What they do and what they say and think will shape the future of mankind, the happiness of human beings, the progress of civilization.

There are Wilson and Lloyd George, Orlando and Clemenceau, and with them sit in council others of all races, nations, creeds and colors. For this peace is to be the product of world thought, world effort and world ambition. It is not a peace for any one nation, or for any one group of nations. It is to be peace for all. The weightiest problems of human history are bearing down upon the shoulders of these wise men there, bending over the manger cradle of the child of peace, and the prayers of a world go out from God-worshipping souls this day for divine guidance of human brains through the labyrinth they must pass that the fruit of their labors may be peace as everlasting as it must be universal.

Confidently do we anticipate such a peace from the hands of the world's wise men gathered together in France. And as confidently do we believe that there will follow "good will toward men." No peace without good will could last long, nor would it deserve life. There MUST be good will toward men. It is needful that we also place some emphasis upon that last word. They must be MEN. Peace does not bring good will toward human brutes, human murderers, inhuman hearts. There will never be an era of good will toward the fiends a civilized world crushed back on the field of battle. They are without the pale of good will. They, and their offspring, must become MEN—real human beings, with human souls and human hearts ere they may share in the good will of mankind.

The star of hope promises much, even the regeneration of the brutish foe we fought, for it promises—

"On earth peace, good will toward men."

## LIEUT. ROPER, JR., WOUNDED; NURSED BY HIS FRENCH BRIDE

Married in July, Washington Officer Almost Meets End in Battle of Argonne, Suffering Later with Influenza.

Lieut. Daniel C. Roper, jr., son of Daniel C. Roper, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, was severely wounded in France, according to the latest casualty list.

Letters received since he was wounded in the battle of Argonne forest on October 3, inform his family that his bride, a French girl, to whom he was married last July, has been constantly with him in the hospital from the time he was well enough to see her. His last letter expressed the hope that he would be well enough to spend Christmas at his wife's home, at Houdeleau Court on the Meuse.

Lieut. Roper was wounded in the left leg and shoulder and in addition suffered from influenza, after reaching the hospital. He is a graduate of Eastern High School where he held a cadet rank. He left Bowdoin College in his junior year to attend the first officers' training camp at Plattsburg. He sailed for overseas with the First Division of the Eighteenth Infantry.

Both in Active Service. Two brothers, Lieut. John W. Roper, U. S. N., and Lieut. James Hunter Roper, Engineer Reserve Corps, have both seen active service. James is still in France, while John has just returned to this country with his destroyer and is spending Christmas with his father. He was graduated from Annapolis last year.

Lieut. Lewis W. Springer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Springer, of the Dresden apartments, is also mentioned as severely wounded on today's casualty list. He was a flying pilot of the Eleventh Aero Squadron and was

wounded on October 27. Although his family has received word that he is doing well in the hospital, details of the battle in which he was wounded have not yet been received. Lieut. Springer is a graduate of George Washington University in arts and law. His father is an official of the National Museum.

On Casualty List. Local men whose names appear on yesterday afternoon's list are as follows: Wounded severely—Lieut. Richard C. Cruik, 254 Western avenue, Takoma Park, and Lewis C. Sheafe, 1305 Eleventh street northwest. Wounded, degree undetermined—Sergeant Alton G. McMillan, Congress Heights; Private Frank Jackson, 806 S street northwest; Private James E. Wiley, 2142 L street northwest. Wounded slightly—Sergeant Henry A. Penn, 604 D street southeast; Bugler Michael Thomas, 611 C street southwest; Private Edward C. Rose, 2305 Fourth street northeast. Marine Corps—Missing in action—Private Charles M. Flannagan, 3225 Hiatt place northwest. Private John P. Mayfield, mentioned

## XMAS PRICES TAKE TUMBLE

Rainy Weather Causes Halt in Shopping; Turkeys 50 Cents Pound.

An umbrella brigade of tardy Christmas purchasers, bombarded the retail produce stalls of the city market yesterday.

Quite oblivious of rain, they bargained at the dripping outside stands over the price of the reddest apples and the largest California oranges. The merchant was at a decided disadvantage, for the anticipated profits of a Christmas market were dissolved with the arrival of the storm clouds, so that many were the bargains the casual shopper picked up.

The Christmas wreaths of holly and pine and spruce from the woodlands of Maryland and Virginia went for a song late in the afternoon, when the vendors realized that Christmas Eve in Washington was to be wet and rainy. A Christmas wreath of holly which sold yesterday for 50 cents could be bought last night at half the price. The most popular greenery from the woods were the mistletoe boughs, which were sold out long before branches of the less romantic laurel and box.

The wholesale market was decidedly depressed. Cabbages and potatoes, it was said, will have to be sold at a loss in the after-Christmas market. A slump, too, is anticipated in California oranges and in the surplus fruits and vegetables ordered for the Christmas trade.

Within the houses the wholesale and retail dressed poultry departments were doing a highly successful business. Turkeys, the prime favorite, were still holding the Thanksgiving price of from 45 to 50 cents per pound.

## Hamilton Buys Slate For New School Job

George E. Hamilton, president of the Capital Traction Company, yesterday, entered upon his duties as president of the Board of Education. He was unanimously elected to the presidency of the board at a meeting held Monday. He succeeds Rev. Dr. John Van Sledright, who has been in France with the Red Cross more than eight months, and who recently submitted his resignation by letter.

## 92 SHOPLIFTERS CAUGHT IN ACT

\$1,500 Stolen by Generous Folk Who Don't Like Paying.

Ninety-two Christmas shoplifters and about \$1,500 worth of stolen articles were corralled by local police this year.

Last year only sixty-six arrests were made and less than \$1,000 was involved. Among the unlucky ninety-two were individuals ranging from an 11-year-old colored boy to a 75-year-old white man.

Very few colored men were taken. Several fur-coated women were among those brought into the prisoners' room at headquarters by members of Sergeant Cornwell's "flying squad" of crook-getters. Several war workers were arrested.

All but five of the cases have been disposed of. Three were held over until tomorrow, and only two were unable to furnish collateral for their appearance in the Police Court.

Members of the "flying squad" are: Detective Sgt. Cornwell, of headquarters, chief; Detective Sgt. Harry Wilson, of the First Precinct, who received a promotion by his work on the squad; Precinct Detectives O. A. McKinney, of No. 2; F. A. Fones, of No. 3; E. O'Connor, of No. 7; D. A. Fong, of No. 8; J. W. Stevens, of No. 9; G. A. Davis, of No. 10; J. W. McDuffie, of No. 11.

Mrs. C. A. Clark, police matron, also assisted the flying squad in a number of cases.

## APPOINTMENT BY WIRELESS.

McAdoo Has Recommended Name for New Director General.

President Wilson is expected to make the appointment of William G. McAdoo's successor, as director general of railroads by wireless. Mr. McAdoo's recommendation as to his successor has gone to the President by cable, and the appointment is expected in a few days, as McAdoo is making arrangements to leave the Capital by January 1, for a stay in Southern California.

## ELEVEN OPPORTUNITIES WAIT TO CHEER CAPITAL NEEDY

Associated Charities Issues Final Appeal to Folks Who Buy Luxuries—Every Case Investigated and Worthy.

Dollars and more dollars were needed at the Associated Charities last night in order to clear up the fourteen Christmas "opportunities." Only half enough contributions have come in during the last week to meet the request made for the support of these families. Eleven of the fourteen opportunities are still open.

"Why can't people understand that these contributions mean we will be able to keep families together, and not have to put the children in institutions?" asked one of the workers last night. "I wish those who are buying luxuries would realize what need there is for some of the bare necessities in many Washington homes."

Here's What's Needed. The Associated Charities reported last night that opportunities further behind were No. 1, \$407; No. 2, \$404; No. 3, \$330; No. 4, \$333; No. 11, \$323; No. 12, \$409; No. 13, \$330; No. 14, \$330. The office of the Associated Charities, 523 H street northwest, will be open until noon today to receive gifts for these families or donations mailed today.

The Herald received an anonymous contribution of \$2 and one signed "A Friend" for \$2 in yesterday's mail. The needs of the families last night stood as follows:

Opportunity No. 1.—An Italian widowed Americanizing six future citizens ranging from babyhood to 10 years of age, \$1,044; previously acknowledged, \$1,010; Miss C. V. V.; Joe, \$1; A Friend, \$1; Mrs. A. G. P.; \$3; W. W. G.; \$1; Plate Printers Union Local No. 2, \$5; D. C. T.; \$2; Emp. National City Co., \$2; No Name, \$1; H. G. H.; \$1; B. S.; \$1; J. E. B.; \$1; D. R. B.; \$1; Mrs. J. W. M.; \$10; No Name, \$2; M. D. S.; \$2; F. W. S.; \$1; H. R.; \$1; Mrs. W. P. G.; \$5; M. L. M.; \$1; Emp. Farm Management, Dept. of Agriculture, and others, \$6; total, \$472.50.

Opportunity No. 2.—Three kiddies under 10 years; father dead; mother making a hard struggle to keep children with her. \$702; previously acknowledged, \$392; E. A. S.; \$1; Miss C. G.; \$1; L. L.; \$2; Emp. National City Company, \$1; J. H. G.; \$1; E. L. B.; \$1; C. A. E.; \$1; E. I. S.; \$1; M. K. P.; \$1; cash, \$2.50; Emp. Farm Management, Dept. of Agriculture, and others, \$6; J. C. W.; \$5; total, \$347.50.

Opportunity No. 3.—Closed.

Opportunity No. 4.—Three half-orphan under 12; widowed mother needs help to keep the wolf from the door. \$469—Previously acknowledged, \$324.50; a teacher, \$150; Miss C. V. V.; \$1; W. W. G.; \$1; Plate Printers Union, Local No. 2, \$5; D. C. T.; \$2; Emp. National City Company, \$1; J. H. G.; \$1; E. L. B.; \$1; C. A. E.; \$1; E. I. S.; \$1; M. K. P.; \$1; cash, \$2.50; Emp. Farm Management, Dept. of Agriculture, and others, \$6; J. C. W.; \$5; total, \$332.

Opportunity No. 5.—Closed.

Opportunity No. 6.—Chronic invalid and sight impaired, with five fatherless children. \$230—Previously acknowledged, \$138.50; A. L. B.; \$5; J. L. W.; \$1; E. L. B.; \$1; E. L. B.; \$1; W. W. G.; \$1; Plate Printers Union, Local No. 2, \$5; D. C. T.; \$2; Emp. National City Company, \$1; J. H. G.; \$1; C. A. E.; \$1; E. I. S.; \$1; M. K. P.; \$1; cash, \$2.50; Emp. Farm Management, Dept. of Agriculture, and others, \$6; total, \$236.50.

Opportunity No. 7.—Ten little Greek Americans. Father dead, exceptional mother, \$562. Previously acknowledged, \$353.85; R. W.; \$5; Miss C. V. V.; \$1; S. B.; \$1; N. and L. S.; \$1; A. L. and S. B.; \$1; A. A.; \$2.50; W. W. G.; \$1; Plate Printers Union, Local No. 2, \$5; D. C. T.; \$2; Emp. National City Company, \$1; J. H. G.; \$1; C. A. E.; \$1; E. I. S.; \$1; M. K. P.; \$1; cash, \$2.50; Emp. Farm Management, Dept. of Agriculture, and others, \$6; total, \$543.35.

Opportunity No. 8.—Four French American children deserted by their daddy. Mother working hard to keep them with her. \$468. Previously acknowledged, \$190.50; G. E. M.; \$5; Miss C. E. W.; \$2; Miss C. V. V.; \$1; Mrs. J. F. M.; \$5; W. W. G.; \$1; Plate Printers Union, Local No. 2, \$5; D. C. T.; \$2; Emp. National City Company, \$1; J. H. G.; \$1; C. A. E.; \$1; E. I. S.; \$1; M. K. P.; \$1; cash, \$2.50; Emp. Farm Management, Dept. of Agriculture, and others, \$6; total, \$247.

Opportunity No. 9.—Father died of tuberculosis, children delicate, lots of good reason needed. \$233—Previously acknowledged, \$135; Mrs. S. Y. S.; \$2; T. H. T.; \$5; B. B.; \$1; Mrs. W. H. C.; \$1; Private B.; \$2; K. F.; \$1; Mrs. H. C.; \$1; Mrs. J. C. L.; \$2; W. W. G.; \$1; Plate Printers Union, Local No. 2, \$5; Emp. National City Company, \$1; J. H. G.; \$1; A. H. T.; \$2; G. E. E.; \$2; C. A. E.; \$1; M. D. S.; \$4; W. E. B.; \$10; J. H. W.; \$10; cash, \$2.50; Emp. Farm Management, Dept. of Agriculture, and others, \$6; D. C. T.; \$2; total, \$233.

Opportunity No. 10.—Closed.

Opportunity No. 11.—Colored lad trying to support five younger members and sisters, all orphans in care of grandmother, \$234—Previously acknowledged, \$135.50; R. W.; \$5; Miss C. V. V.; \$1; M. E. R.; \$1; W. W. G.; \$1; Plate Printers Union, Local No. 2, \$5; D. C. T.; \$2; Emp. National City Company, \$1; J. H. G.; \$1; C. A. E.; \$1; E. I. S.; \$1; M. K. P.; \$1; cash, \$2.50; Emp. Farm Management, Dept. of Agriculture, and others, \$6; total, \$234.50.

## HEARING JAN. 7 ON TRANSFERS

Public Utilities Commission Sets Date for Traffic Threshing Out.

Public hearings will be held by the Public Utilities Commission for the consideration of the establishment of intercompany street car transfers Tuesday morning, January 7, 1919, at 10:30 o'clock in the Board Room of the District Building. This was decided upon at a meeting of the Commission yesterday morning.

Following the meeting a formal statement by the Commission announcing the date and hour for the public hearings on the report of John A. Heiler, traffic expert, was issued. The statement issued reads in part as follows:

"The Public Utilities Commission will hold on Tuesday, January 7, at 10:30 a. m. a public hearing for the consideration of the establishment of intercompany transfers between the lines of the Capital Traction Company, the Washington Railway and Electric Company's system and the Washington and Virginia Railway in the District.

## Two Alleged Slayers To Be Tried Over Again

Dates for the second trials of Leo Hall and Mabon Wright, accused of two of the most brutal murders that have occurred in the District for many years, were announced yesterday. Hall is to be tried for the second time for the murder of little Eva Roy the 14-year-old Virginia girl found murdered in a wood early in August.

The second trial, that of Mabon Wright for the murder of Rosa Farmer, 24 years old, found murdered in a wood near Lynchburg, Va., will be on January 13.

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